

KING SPAWN[®]

The cover art features a large, muscular, green-skinned figure with a skull for a head, lying down. The figure is surrounded by a dark, textured, brownish-red material that looks like blood or gore. The background is a solid red color with black, wavy lines. The title 'KING SPAWN' is at the top in a stylized font, with a skull in the 'P'.

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PREVIOUSLY IN *KING SPAWN*

Spawn and Sam have been surrounded by the forces of the Exodus Corp. Little does everyone know that reinforcements in the form of Terry and Twitch are about to kick down the door.



RECAP:

AN EXODUS CORP.
WAREHOUSE NEAR
THE HUDSON RIVER—



WHERE TAR MERRIVAL,
HER FATHER AND THE
MONSTER BEHEMOTH
HAVE CORNERED SPAWN.



WHERE HE'D
DISCOVERED YOKO,
ONCE DEAD NOW
RISEN. SHE IS
THE CONDUIT
TO CHANNEL THE
NIGHTMARES OF
NEW YORK CITY.



AND SAM BURKE,
CAUGHT IN THE
MIDDLE OF SOME
BIBLICAL SCRUM.



WHILE
OUTSIDE...
SOMEONE
WATCHES.



THOUGH CORNERED,
HIS SADISTIC SMIRK
TELLS THEM THAT
SPAWN IS FAR FROM
CONCERNED.

YOU'RE ALL
HERE, MAKES
MY JOB
EASIER.

HE ATTACKS THE OLDER
MERRIVAL, SMASHING
HIM INTO THE GLASS.

YOKO BEING
LAUNCHED INTO
BEHEMOTH

HIS POWER AT ITS
VERY HEIGHT--
NOT REALIZING...



...THAT'S **EXACTLY** WHAT TAR
HAD WANTED FROM HIM. TO
EXPEND AS MUCH OF HIS
POWER AS POSSIBLE.

SHE FEIGNS
SURRENDER.
THEN MAKES
HER MOVE!

SHE NEEDED HIS
ANGER ON FULL
DISPLAY SO HER
"**KISS OF DEATH**"
COULD CONSUME
AS MUCH OF HIS
ENERGY AS IT
WOULD ALLOW.

TAR SEES THIS AN ACT
OF LOVE. SHARING, WITH
THESE **ALL-POWERFUL**
BEINGS, WHAT IT'S LIKE
TO FEEL VULNERABLE.
TO FEEL HUMAN AGAIN.



BECAUSE
AS *HIDDEN
WARS* PLAY
OUT ACROSS
THE GLOBE,
HUMANITY
WILL SOON
FIND OUT...



THAT WHAT MIGHT
ACTUALLY SAVE THEM IS
A SMALL DOSE OF LOVE,
SCATTERED ACROSS
THOSE BATTLEFIELDS.



CYAN.



YOKO?



TWO SPIRITS TIED TO ONE
ANOTHER. YOUNG WOMEN
WHO TRUSTED NO ONE.

BUT SOMEHOW
FOUND EACH OTHER.

DO YOU...
REMEMBER?



I DO.

I SEE US
IN JAPAN. YOU
WERE RUNNING FROM
THEM BEFORE YOU...
UNLOCKED THEM,
YOUR POWERS. THEY
COULDN'T STAY
HIDDEN.

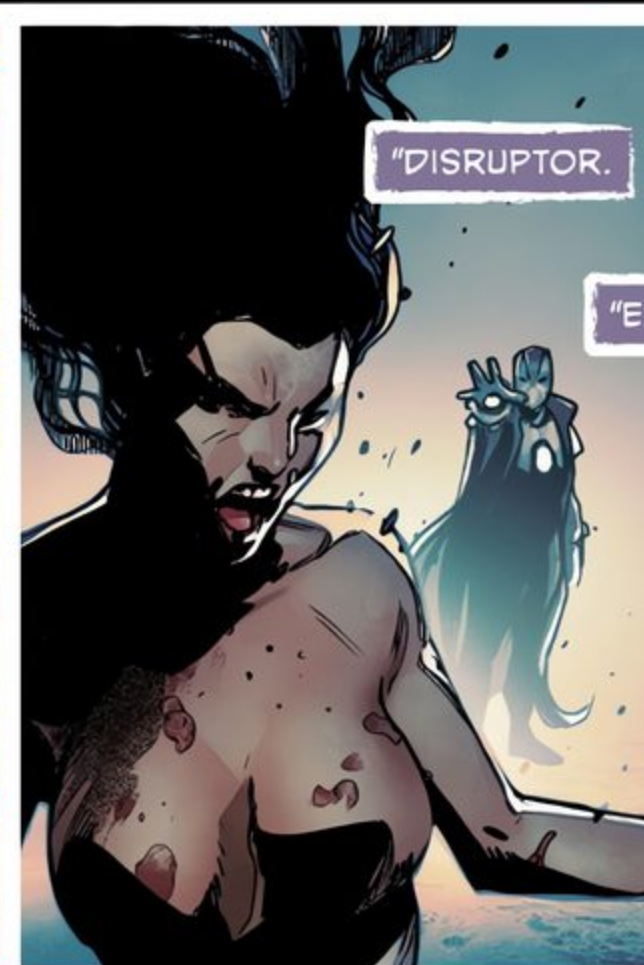
AND YOU
AVENGED
MY MURDER,
MADE THEM
PAY. THAT
FREED ME.



"I PRAYED
YOU'D STAYED."



"THEY WOULDN'T
GIVE ME PEACE."



"DISRUPTOR."



"EXODUS."



"ALL OF
THEM!"

ELSEWHERE,
IN THE DARK.

HE'S
YOURS.

I'VE BEEN
TOLD HOW
POWERFUL
YOU ARE...

WAM

I DISLIKE
BEING
LIED TO.

EACH FACTION INVOLVED IN THIS COMPLICATED WAR HAS THEIR OWN PERCEPTION OF WHICH OF THEIR ENEMIES ARE THE MOST CONCERNING. WHICH ONES NEED TO BE DEALT WITH FIRST.

SPAWN'S ENEMIES HAVE KNOWN ABOUT THE EXISTENCE OF HELLSPAWNS FOR CENTURIES. VERY FEW OF THE FACTION LEADERS OR WARRIORS HAVE EVER COME FACE-TO-FACE WITH ONE.

MEANING, VERY FEW ACTUALLY KNOW WHAT THEY ARE CAPABLE OF.

LOOK AT ME!

REAL CLOSE.

SPAWN, LIKE A GHOST, ALLOWS THE SHADOWS TO ENGULF HIM. TO HIDE HIM... SO HE CAN PLAN HIS ASSAULT.

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OUTSIDE THE
WAREHOUSE.

Shit.

I'LL
FOLLOW
YOUR
LEAD.

STAY
ON MY
RIGHT.

READY?
ON MY
COUNT...

TWO.

ONE.

TERRY AND
TWITCH ENTER
GUNS BLAZING.



TWITCH TAGS
TAR MERRIVAL.

CYAN,
GRAB MY
HAND!

DAD?

I'M
GETTING
YOU
OUT OF
HERE.

WHAT
ABOUT
SPAWN?



"DON'T WORRY
ABOUT HIM, HE'LL
TAKE CARE OF
HIMSELF."



THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT HE'S ABOUT TO DO --BUT HE'S ALSO GOING TO TAKE OUT THOSE THAT WOULD USE A YOUNG WOMAN AS THEIR PAWN. IF HIS ENEMIES WANT TO ASSAIL, TORTURE, MAIM OR CONTROL HIM, HE'S ALWAYS WILLING TO DEAL WITH THAT... BUT TO USE THE INNOCENT, THE VULNERABLE AS TOOLS TOWARDS THEIR AGENDAS, THAT'S WHEN SPAWN'S ANGER REACHES ITS PEAK.

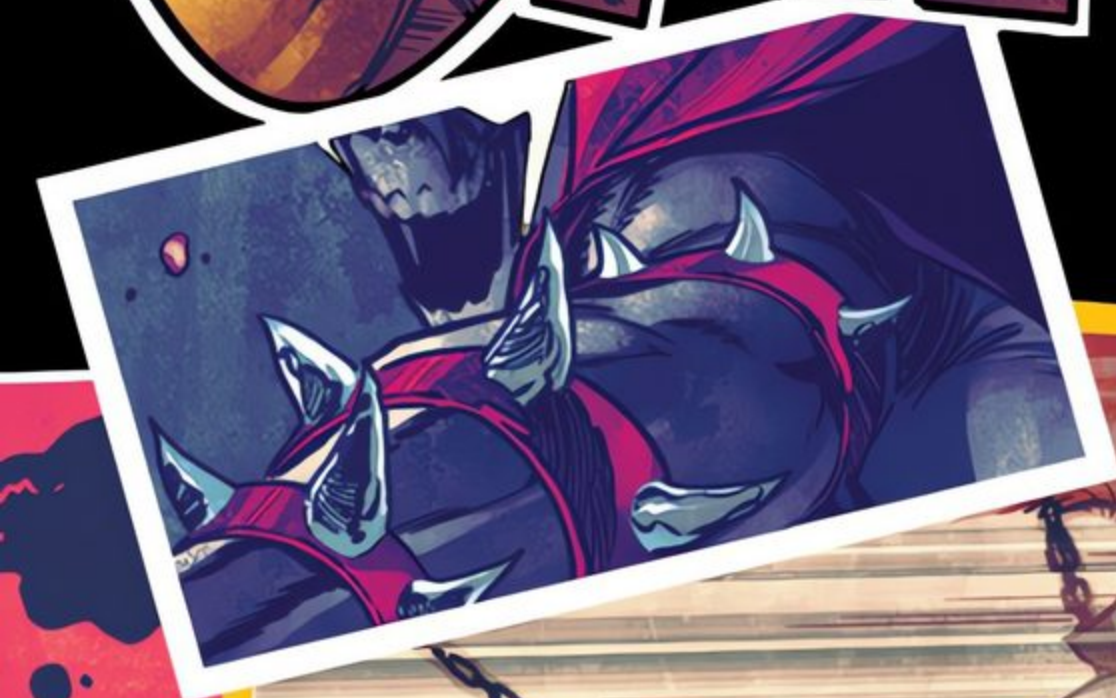
'EXODUS'
HOW IRONIC A
WORD YOU
CHOSE.

EXODUS: THE 2ND BOOK OF THE BIBLE. THE WORD MEANS TO DEPART. TO SCHOLARS IT MEANS THE DEPARTURE OF THIS WORLD TO ANOTHER.

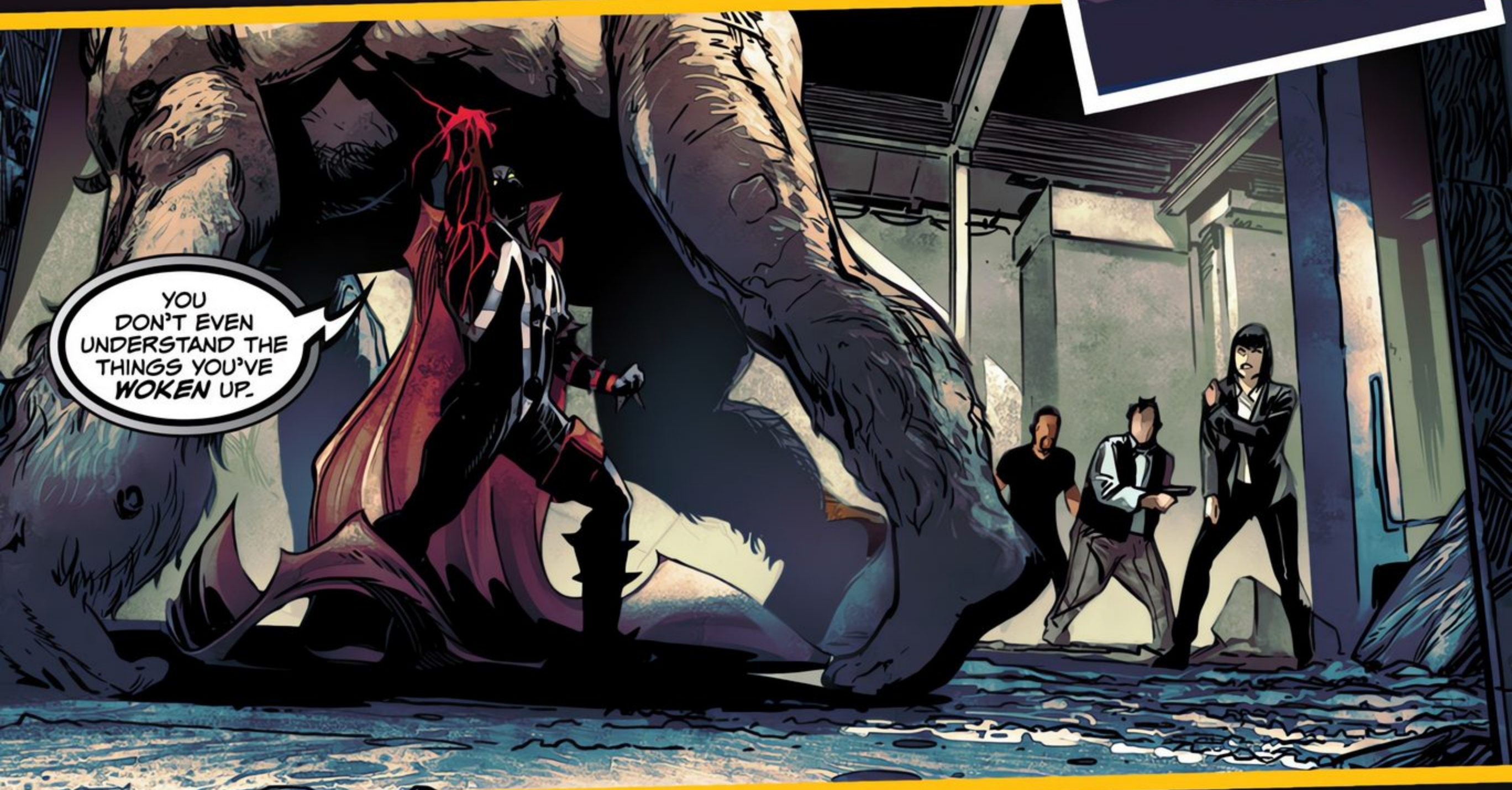
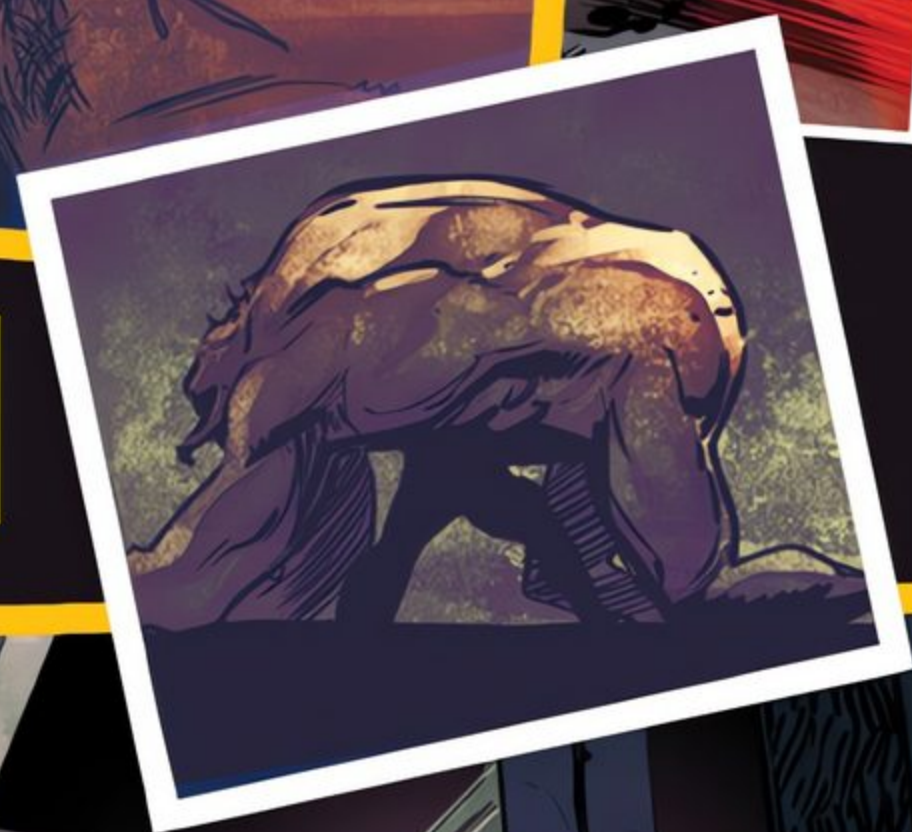
FOR SPAWN, IT'S ABOUT TO MEAN BEING EXTINGUISHED FROM EXISTENCE.



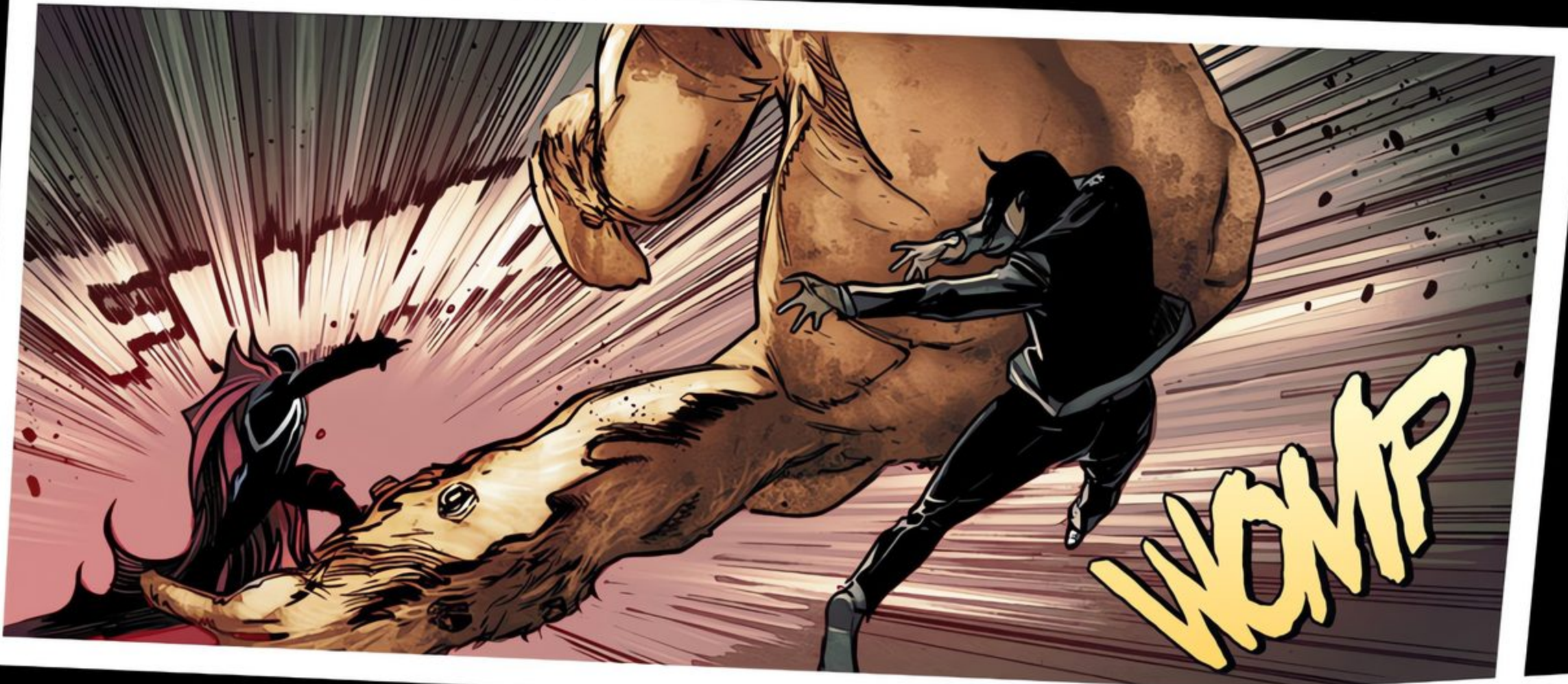
WHEN HE'S DONE,
THEY'LL KNOW IT WAS
NEVER A CONTEST.



THAT THE
RESULT
WAS *EVER*
IN DOUBT.



YOU
DON'T EVEN
UNDERSTAND THE
THINGS YOU'VE
WOKEN UP.



IS IT DELUSION?
INSANITY? WHATEVER
IT IS THE VILLAINS
STILL ATTEMPT TO
PRESS THEIR ATTACK.



YOKO!
YOU CAN'T
STAND BY
AND WATCH
THIS!



HE KEEPS HIS DISTANCE,
SPAWN KNOWS HE CAN'T
ALLOW TAR TO GET HER
LIPS ON HIM AGAIN.

EVEN WEAKENED,
SHE CAN STILL
BE FORMIDABLE.





THEN SOMETHING
HAPPENS. SOMETHING
THAT'S BEEN ACHING
TO *SHOW* ITSELF!

YOKO?

THEY'VE BEEN TRYING TO MAKE
HER THEIR *SLAVE* SINCE THEY
RESURRECTED HER. FORCING
HER TO ENDURE THE *INVASION*
OF SO MANY WICKED SOULS IN
HER MIND. THEN THEY WANTED
HER TO ENTRAP THEM, TO
MAKE THEM HER SLAVES.

TO CONTINUE
THE PATTERN OF
OPPRESSION INTO
THE NEXT DECADE.

YET, SEEING CYAN, HAS
REMINDED HER OF THE LAST
TIME SHE EVEN FELT LIKE
SOMEONE. THAT SHE WAS
STILL HUMAN, THAT SOMEONE
STILL CARED ABOUT HER.
EVEN IF SHE IS HALF DEAD.



JERICO.

SURELY,
HELLSPAWN,
YOU KNEW
WE'D MAKE
CONTINGENCY
PLANS.

BECAUSE
OF YOU WE'RE
ALL MOBILIZED NOW.
EXODUS. REVELATIONS,
THEY'RE **BOTH**
WAITING FOR YOU,
THANKS IN PART TO
YOU EXILING ME
INTO THE 'DEAD
ZONES'.

YOU
WERE SENT
THERE TO
DIE.

ACTUALLY...
WE THINK IT'S
YOU HUMANS THAT
SHOULD SUFFER
THAT FATE.

THEN, JERICO IS
GRABBED BY A
DENIZEN OF HELL
-- THE **CAMERA**
GOES BLACK.

YOU TOOK
THIS GIRL, THEN
TEASED US ABOUT HER
MOTHER RETURNING.
NOW YOU'RE
THREATENING
EARTH?!









I SUGGEST
YOU SAY
GOODBYE TO
YOUR FRIENDS,
I'M GOING
TO NEED YOU
FOR A LITTLE
WHILE.

AND WHERE
WE'RE GOING,
MOST OF THEM
WOULDN'T
SURVIVE
ANYWAY.

HELL, WE
MIGHT NOT
EITHER.



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THE WALKING DEAD I HATE FAIRYLAND
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HOWTOONS THEY'RE NOT LIKE US **SUNSTONE** SEVEN TO ETERNITY

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